

Question (1): Does the scope of work include installing the air conditioners or just supply and deliver them?

Answer: Installation services is not required, please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services”.

Question (2): Are sales tax or customs exempted from the U.S. side by the Government of Jordan? Or more clearly, is there a tax exemption for this tender on the state tax of Jordan?

Answer: Value Added Tax (VAT) and customs duty are not applicable to this purchase order/contract and shall not be included in the CLIN rates or invoices. Customs exemption letter shall be furnished within 21 working days upon request. Please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services”.

Question (3): Pertaining to the brand name requirement being identified as Sharp and sold by a specific company locally and others regionally under agency agreements, and: “B. Unless the offeror clearly indicates in its offer that the product being offered is an “equal” product, the offeror shall provide the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.” – we would be grateful if you could please clarify what quality aspect in the Sharp brand needs to be matched as “equal” not mentioned in the technical specifications in order for a supplier to be able to attest that it’s an equal product. You have made reference in the specifications to “equal” product rather than identical technical specs hence the question.

Answer: If an item in this solicitation is identified as “brand name or equal,” the purchase description reflects the characteristics and level of quality that will satisfy the Government’s needs. Please refer to point 5 subpart A.

Question (4): If awarded, could we submit our manufacturer official invoice to the embassy in order to get his tax-free? The Bill for sure will be addressing the U.S embassy Jordan.

Answer: Only the awarded contractor invoice will be exempted from Value Added Tax (VAT), Please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services”.

Question (5): In case of award, our company is U.S based, therefore could we receive our payment upon USD?

Answer: All prices are in Jordanian Dinar (JOD), please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services” and FAR 52.225-17 in section 2 “EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY OFFERS (FEB 2000)

Question (6): Due to the different brands and prices available in the Jordanian markets, can one company submit more than one offer?

Answer: Yes. We are not requesting a specific brand or model. If an item in this solicitation is identified as “brand name or equal,” the purchase description reflects the characteristics and level of quality that will satisfy the Government’s needs. Please refer to point 5 subpart A.

Question (7): Do you prefer any specific brand?

Answer: No, we are not requesting a specific brand or model. If an item in this solicitation is identified as “brand name or equal,” the purchase description reflects the characteristics and level of quality that will satisfy the Government’s needs. Please refer to point 5 subpart A.

Question (8): We are an Iraqi company, and we submit our proposal in Jordanian dinar, will you pay us in U.S dollars?

Answer: All prices are in Jordanian Dinar (JOD), please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services” and FAR 52.225-17 in section 2 “EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY OFFERS (FEB 2000)

Question (9): If we awarded the contract and decide to import the required air conditioners from outside of Jordan, will you provide us with the tax and customs exception documents?

Answer: Value Added Tax (VAT) and customs duty are not applicable to this purchase order/contract and shall not be included in the CLIN rates or invoices. Customs exemption letter shall be furnished within 21 working days upon request. Please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services”.

Question (10): Is it acceptable for US firms to submit quotations in USD rather than JOD?

Answer: All prices are in Jordanian Dinar (JOD), please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services” and FAR 52.225-17 in section 2 “EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY OFFERS (FEB 2000)

Question (11): If JOD is the only acceptable currency, will USG remit the payment to a US bank in JOD?

Answer: All prices are in Jordanian Dinar (JOD), please refer to point 1 “Scope of Services” and FAR 52.225-17 in section 2 “EVALUATION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY OFFERS (FEB 2000)

Question (12): Is it acceptable that the BTU specs exceed the requirement or is the exact BTU required? For example, a 1-ton model that is 14k BTU instead of 12K BTU?

Answer: No, the offeror should adhere to the requested specification as outlined in the solicitation.

Question (13): Should the type of model be exclusively from the Sharp brand, or can another type be provided with the same specifications?

Answer: No, we are not requesting a specific brand or model. If an item in this solicitation is identified as “brand name or equal,” the purchase description reflects the characteristics and level of quality that will satisfy the Government’s needs. Please refer to point 5 subpart A.

Question (14): Piping kit: we would appreciate it if you could please clarify whether you require copper or aluminum.

Answer: Copper, please refer to the solicitation amendment.

Question (15): Refrigerant gas: Type should be R-410A Freon gas, would you accept the new R32K instead?

Answer: Only R-410A, R-407 and R-404 are acceptable, please refer to the solicitation amendment.

Question (16): SEER: usually there is a 5% tolerance, would you therefore accept 6.3 instead of 6.7 for the 1 Ton and 6.7 instead of 6.8 for the 1 and a half ton?

Answer: Yes, the offeror should not exceed 5%. Please refer to the solicitation amendment.